

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-15 are pending. Claim 1 has been amended to include the limitations of Claim 5, which was previously indicated as being otherwise in condition for allowance. Claim 5 has been revised to further limit Claim 1 and new Claims 6-8 also further limit Claim 1 to particular species previously recited by Claim 5. Claim 9 finds support in the specification on page 69, line 21. Claims 10-15 depend from Claim 3 or 4 and further limit the subject matter of the base claims. Accordingly, the Applicants do not believe that any new matter has been added. Favorable consideration and allowance of this application is now respectfully requested.

Objection-Disclosure

The disclosure was objected to as not providing the current status of the parent application. This issue is moot since the updated Official Filing Receipt already refers to U.S. Patent No. 6,712,993 which issued from 10/325,826. The claims allowed in the parent application are process claims. The pending claims are directed to phosphor products. The Applicants submit that the parent application provides explicit or inherent support for many if not all of the elements of the present claims.

Rejections—35 U.S.C. §103

Claims 1-3 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103 as being unpatentable over Braconnier, U.S. Patent No. 5,746,944 and Claims 1-4 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103 as being unpatentable over Hampden-Smith, U.S. Patent No. 6,180,029. These rejections are moot in view of the incorporation of the limitations of Claim 5 into independent Claim 1.

CONCLUSION

In view of the above amendments and remarks, the Applicants respectfully submit that this application is now in condition for allowance. An early notification to that effect is earnestly solicited.

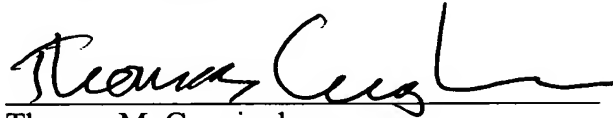
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